

ARBITRATION

Treaty signed at Washington August 16, 1928

Senate advice and consent to ratification December 18, 1928

Ratified by the President of the United States January 4, 1929

Ratified by Poland December 23, 1929

Ratifications exchanged at Warsaw January 4, 1930

Proclaimed by the President of the United States January 6, 1930

Entered into force February 3, 1930

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The President of the United States of America and the President of the Republic of Poland

Determined to prevent so far as in their power lies any interruption in the peaceful relations that have always existed between the two nations;

Desirous of reaffirming their adherence to the policy of submitting to impartial decision all justiciable controversies that may arise between them; and

Eager by their example not only to demonstrate their condemnation of war as an instrument of national policy in their mutual relations, but also to hasten the time when the perfection of international arrangements for the pacific settlement of international disputes shall have eliminated forever the possibility of war among any of the Powers of the world;

Have decided to conclude a treaty of arbitration and for that purpose they have appointed as their respective Plenipotentiaries

The President of the United States of America:

Mr. FRANK B. KELLOGG, Secretary of State of the United States of America;

The President of the Republic of Poland:

Mr. JAN CIECHANOWSKI, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Poland to the United States;

who, having communicated to one another their full powers found in good and due form, have agreed upon the following articles:

ARTICLE I

All differences relating to international matters in which the High Contracting Parties are concerned by virtue of a claim of right made by one

against the other under treaty or otherwise, which it has not been possible to adjust by diplomacy, which have not been adjusted as a result of reference to an appropriate commission of conciliation, and which are justiciable in their nature by reason of being susceptible of decision by the application of the principles of law or equity, shall be submitted to the Permanent Court of Arbitration established at The Hague by the Convention of October 18, 1907,¹ or to some other competent tribunal, as shall be decided in each case by special treaty, which special treaty shall provide for the organization of such tribunal if necessary, define its powers, state the question or questions at issue, and settle the terms of reference.

The special treaty in each case shall be made on the part of the United States of America by the President of the United States of America by and with the advice and consent of the Senate thereof, and on the part of Poland by the President of the Republic of Poland in accordance with Polish constitutional law.

ARTICLE II

The provisions of this treaty shall not be invoked in respect of any dispute the subject matter of which

- (a) is within the domestic jurisdiction of either of the High Contracting Parties,
- (b) involves the interests of third Parties,
- (c) depends upon or involves the maintenance of the traditional attitude of the United States concerning American questions, commonly described as the Monroe Doctrine,
- (d) depends upon or involves the observance of the obligations of Poland in accordance with the Covenant of the League of Nations.²

ARTICLE III

The present treaty shall be ratified by the President of the United States of America by and with the advice and consent of the Senate thereof and by the President of the Republic of Poland in accordance with Polish constitutional law.

The ratifications shall be exchanged at Warsaw as soon as possible, and the treaty shall take effect on the thirtieth day after the date of the exchange of ratifications.

It shall thereafter remain in force continuously unless and until terminated

¹ TS 536, *ante*, vol. 1, p. 577.

² *Ante*, vol. 2, p. 48.

by one year's written notice given by either High Contracting Party to the other.

In faith whereof the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed this treaty in duplicate, each in the English and Polish languages, both texts having equal force, and hereunto affixed their seals.

Done at Washington the 16th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight.

FRANK B. KELLOGG	[SEAL]
JAN CIECHANOWSKI	[SEAL]